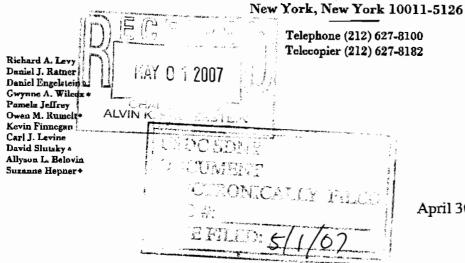
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Hon. Alvin K. Hellerstein Southern District of New York Room 1050 United States Courthouse 500 Pearl St. New York, NY 10007

> Re: Gray v. Local Union 1199 et al. Case No. 07-CV-3238 (AKH) (GWG)

Dear Judge Hellerstein:

This office represents Defendant Local Union 1199, correctly named 1199SEIU United Healthcarc Workers East ("1199SEIU" or "Union"), in the above-captioned matter. I write to request an extension of time to answer or otherwise move with respect to the Complaint.

By Amended Notice of Petition, 1199SEIU removed this action from state court on April 26, 2007. Under Rule 81(c) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Defendants in this matter, 1199SEIU and Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center and New York Presbyterian Hospital of Columbia and Cornell ("the Hospital") have five (5) days from the date of removal. or until May 3, 2007, to answer the Plaintiff's complaint. 1199SEIU requests until June 4, 2007 to answer or otherwise move with respect to the Complaint.

James Frank, of Epstein Becker & Green, attorney for the Hospital, consented to this request for an extension of time and will be making a similar request. However, Carolyn Gray, the Pro-Se Plaintiff, did not consent to the extension of time because she believes that the case is still pending before the small claims court, despite its removal.

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The extension requested herein is necessary due to the very short amount of time that 1199SEIU has to answer in this matter and the necessary investigation required to assess the Plaintiff's claim. This is 1199SEIU's first request for an extension of time in this matter.

Respectfully yours,

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